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1. On 2 April 1953 the ROSTRO, formerly under Panamanian registry, left Canton for Hainan Island with a cargo of 2,600 tons of iron rods. Before leaving Canton she took aboard a fully armed naval guard of about 120 officers and men.
2. She was scheduled to make another trip from Canton to Hainan Island about the middle of May 1953.

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Comment. the ROSTRO had been renamed the TSINGTAO. She has also been reported as the CHING TU.

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